Kendall Haven

The only West Point graduate to ever become a professional storyteller, Kendall Haven also holds a Doctorate in Oceanography and spent ten years as a Senior Research Scientist for the Department of Energy before finding his true passion for storytelling and a very different kind of "truth." Haven has performed for more than 4 million people in 42 U.S. states and four foreign countries, and he has won numerous awards both for his story-writing and for his story-telling. He has conducted workshops for over 40,000 teachers and 190,000 students from over 1,200 schools in 30 states on the structure and architecture of narratives and on the writing process. Haven has published five audiotapes, ten collections of original historically themed stories, two children's novels, one picture book, five classroom story/activity books and three instructional books on the use of story. Haven is a nine-time winner of the Storytelling World Silver Award for best Story Anthology. He won the 1993 International Festival Association Silver Award for best Educational Program at a major national festival, the 1992 Corporation for Public Broadcasting Silver Award for best Children's Public Radio Production, and the 1991 Award for Excellence in California Education. He has twice been designated an American Library Association "Notable Recording Artist" and is listed in both Contemporary American Authors and Who's Who for American Authors.